

## Abstract of the disclosure

The invention provides a carrier or a pre-treating carrier for use in chromatography which comprises a carrier material consisting essentially of  
5 a metal compound, capable of reacting with a carboxylic acid compound or a carrier material whose surface is coated with the metal compound and a carboxylic acid compound linked to the surface of the carrier material; and a kit for the preparation of the foregoing carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier which comprises the foregoing carrier material and the  
10 carboxylic acid compound to be linked to the surface of the carrier material. The use of the carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier would permit the achievement of a variety of excellent effects. For instance, the hydrophobic separation field established by, for instance, the octadecyl groups is never eliminated even under weak acidic or alkaline conditions,  
15 which leads to long service life.